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In Re Application of

NIKOLICH et al.

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For: Immunogenic Compositions Including Rough Phenotype Brucella Host Strains
and Complementation DNA Fragments

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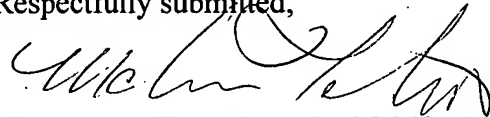
CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, applicants claims priority
from U.S. Provisional applications 60/433,164 (filed December 12, 2002), and
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Respectfully submitted,



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